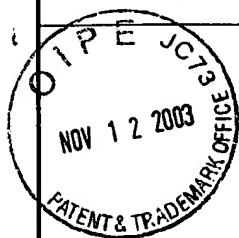


## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(b)

Docket Number (Optional)

In re Application of Harold F. HynesApplication Number 09/945,467Filed 9/04/01For Harold F. HynesArt Unit 3626Examiner Natalie Pass

This is a request for an extension of time of 3 months - 8/9/03 - 11/9/03 (days), (weeks), (months) under 37 CFR 1.136(b) in this pending application. An extension of time is not available in this application under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a); however, additional time to respond may still be granted under the patent statute. No petition fee is required. The reasons for requesting the extension of time are the following:

I'm semi retired, 88 year old, on limited Social Security, recognized by your Department for special services due to a fast growing cancer tumor. I've invented an electronic one page purchasing system to eliminate 7 purchasing forms and 8 points of verification, and am faced with the intricacies of patent approval for the first time, along with being confined to a small Kansas town of 1,200 people.

My present patent dilemma is to satisfy the needs of the Examiner who is trying hard to work with me. The application was final rejected May 9, 2003. However it appeared to be on going because it called for a response and referred to claims pending. Complying with the 3 month's deadline, I responded to the Examiners rejections on July 21, and received an Advisory Action of August 22, with another list of requirements, therefore, I assumed my July appeal would carry through the total six months available for appeal. This I responded to on October 10. I received a call from the Examiner on October 28 telling me that my October 10 response couldn't be acted upon as it extended into the second half of the six month's period, and I should take action to continue my application beyond November 9. The Examiner recommended getting the advice of the Department's Independent Inventor's Service, who confirmed the need for a Request for Continued Extension of Time, but didn't mention the apparent need for the second half of the six month's period which I thought would be covered by the Extension.

I just had a call from the Examiner telling me of this need which is why I'm petitioning for this extension of time from August 9 to November 9. Unfortunately, I'm having difficulty in paying the \$385 required for the Request for Continued Extension beyond November 9. and am desperately in need of your assistance in granting the extension between August 9 and November 9, without a fee, to secure my application approval.

Thank you for your assistance.

Harold F. Hynes  
Signature

10/30/03  
Date

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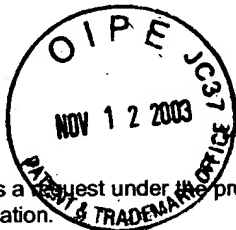
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

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In re Application of Harold F. Hynes

Application Number 09/945 467

Filed 9/04/01

For Harold F. Hynes

Art Unit 3626

Examiner Natalie Pass

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☐ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) 8/9/03 - 11/9/03 \$ 950<sup>00</sup>
- ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 475<sup>00</sup>.

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number \_\_\_\_\_.

I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☒ applicant/inventor.

- ☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).
- ☐ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).  
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Date

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☐ Total of 1 forms are submitted. plus copy of CFR 1.136(b) sent by error.

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